

Abingdon Community Council Meeting
June 23, 2014

There was 1 member (C. David Copenhaver and 13 guests in attendance including: Dion Guthrie (Harford County Councilman), Andrew Tress (Aid to County Councilman Billy Boniface), Captain Jon Krass (Harford County Sheriff's Office), Lisa Mittman (Branch Manager, Abingdon Harford County Public Library)

The next meeting will be July 28, 2014 at 6:30 at the Abingdon Public Library.

- The meeting was called to order at 6:34 P.M. by C. David Copenhaver, Vice Chairperson.
- Not in Attendance: County Councilman Joe Woods nor Jessica Blake (his aid); Mary Ann Lisanti nor Manley Calhoun III (her aid)
- Lisa Mittman: Branch Manager, Abingdon Harford County Public Library

What's New at the Library: Check out the website

- Summer Reading Program is under way. 800 people registered in 1 day last week. It is a sponsored event. Each reader receives a paper with coupons from each sponsor. Sign up can be done in person at the library or on-line.
- Downloadable Services include:
 - Hoopla (PBS TV shows, audiobooks, music, older movies)
 - Zinio (current magazines that you keep, National Geographic is great)
 - Freegal (music from Sony's catalogue), you can get 5 songs per week and keep them forever
 - Axis 360 (books)
 - Gale Courses (on-line texts for on-line course credit)
- Other Services Include: Book Group to Go, American Girl Doll Lending, Grant Collection, Harford Voices (Oral History Exhibit), Learning & Sharing Collection (toys), Leap Kits/Little Leapers (mini iPads in children's area), A-Z Databases (primary sources from earlier years)
- 3D printer
- Passport Services at Bel Air Branch
- Big Fundraiser for HCPL is the Gala – 1st Saturday in November, black tie suggested
- Captain Jon Krass: Harford County Sheriff's Representative
 - Numbers look good, no real spikes
 - Community Policing will come out and do free safety surveys
 - Alarm systems are a good deterrent to crime
 - Report from Traffic Safety Panel reports fatalities are down so far this year
 - Garage door openers can be disengaged by burglars by looking in windows and fishing a device through the small opening between the frame and the door and capturing the handle. Jon suggested you cover any garage door windows to obstruct the view.
- County Council Updates:
 - Dion Guthrie (County Councilman):
 - Joppatowne Parade will be on July 5th at 6pm followed by Music in the Park. This year's theme is Pirates of the Caribbean.
 - There is a bill to make Deputy Directors need to have confirmation by County Council on the ballot in November.
 - The Primary Elections are on June 24.
- Andrew Tress (Aid to County Council President, Billy Boniface):
 - Reported on progress of Palmer State Park which is in memory of Billy Boniface's son's memory
 - County Council is on break for the summer
- New Business/Announcements:
 - The ACC would like to thank Zachary McEwan, Corben Gebski of Boy Scout Troop 292 and their leader Lester Gebski for setting up and taking down the meeting area for tonight's meeting.
 - Kudos to the Sheriff's Office for stopping by the Copenhaver house at 1:30 am one day recently to let them know they had left their garage doors open.
 - Upcoming Meetings:
 - July – Presentation about SCAMS and how to protect yourself
 - August – Presentation by Harford County Auditor

- September – Meet the Local Candidates in the upcoming election
- October – Presentation about Identity Theft and what to do if you are a victim

- Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm by C. David Copenhaver, Vice Chairperson.

Minutes submitted by Donna Copenhaver